

HOLY EUCHARIST

THE THIRD SUNDAY
IN EASTER

APRIL 14, 2024 10:00 A.M.

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THE WORD OF GOD

OPENING RITEPlease stand as you are able.

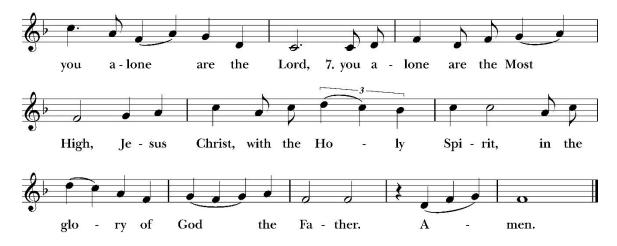
Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia

HYMN Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness H82 #492

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS
H82 #s280





THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant May God be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST READING Acts 3:12-19

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. "And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out."

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 4 Cum invocarem

- 1 Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause; * you set me free when I am hard-pressed; have mercy on me and hear my prayer.
- 2 "You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory; * how long will you worship dumb idols and run after false gods?"
- 3 Know that the LORD does wonders for the faithful; * when I call upon the LORD, he will hear me.
- 4 Tremble, then, and do not sin; * speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.

- 5 Offer the appointed sacrifices * and put your trust in the LORD.
- 6 Many are saying, "Oh, that we might see better times!" * Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O LORD.
- 7 You have put gladness in my heart, * more than when grain and wine and oil increase.
- 8 I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; * for only you, LORD, make me dwell in safety.

THE SECOND READING 1 John 3:1-7

A Reading from the First letter of John.

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

SEQUENCE HYMN

This joyful Eastertide

H82 #192

THE GOSPEL Luke 24:36b-48

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus himself stood among the disciples and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence.

Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON The Rev. Jonathan Eden

THE NICENE CREED

Please stand as you are able.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Standing or Kneeling, the Leader and People pray responsively.

Intercessor Together, let us pray:

People God ever faithful, God ever merciful, God of your people, hear our prayer.

For Michael, Alan and Carol, and for all those who lead and guide the Church of Christ; for loving care, we pray to you, O Lord:

God ever faithful, hear our prayer

For Trinity Parish, Newton Center, Parish of the Good Shepherd, Waban, St. Andrew's Church, Wellesley, the Life Together Diocesan Intern Program. For faithful witness, fellowship in love; for living hope, we pray to you, O Lord:

God ever merciful, hear our prayer

For those who guide the nations of the earth; that wisdom reign, we pray to you, O Lord:

God ever redeeming, hear our prayer

For those who seek and serve the common good; that justice reign, we pray to you, O Lord:

God ever present, hear our prayer

For neighbors' needs, for shelter from the storm; for homes of peace, we pray to you, O Lord:

God ever nurturing, hear our prayer

For those in sorrow, anguish, despair and for those who are sick, especially Michelle, Ken, Emerson, Barbara, Kenneth, Lynnette, Christina, Carol, Julie, Stanley, Peter, Felix, Mary, Catherine, Michael, Parker, Sergio, Martha, Anne, Patricia, Barbara, Maureen, Rachael, Louise, Scott, Kathleen, Paul, Eddy, Christopher, and for those we now name silently or aloud (*pause*); that they may find hope, we pray to you, O Lord:

God ever comforting, hear our prayer

For the oppressed, for those who live in fear; that they may be freed; that we might live in peace from day to day; that wars will cease, we pray to you, O Lord:

God who seeks justice, hear our prayer

For all who have died, especially the Rev. Canon Ed Rodman, and for all those we now name either silently

or aloud (pause). That they may gather one day, at a table we hope to share; we pray to you, O Lord:

God who is eternal, hear our prayer

That we may stay faithful and open to your Word. For all the dreams held deep within our hearts and for all our needs. Entrusting all that we are into your hands, we call your name, and pray to you, O Lord:

God of your people, hear our prayer

Celebrant

God ever faithful, God ever merciful, God of your people, hear the prayers we bring before you, strengthen us to share in the saving work of Jesus, and bring us and all you have created into the fullness of life that your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ has promised, who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant The Peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY HYMN

Please stand as you are able.

WLP #763

THE HOLY COMMUNION

As we gather at your table

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A

CelebrantMay God be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

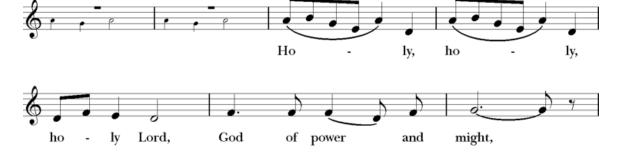
People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS H82 #s128





Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and maker of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

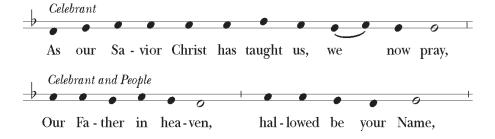
Christ will come again.

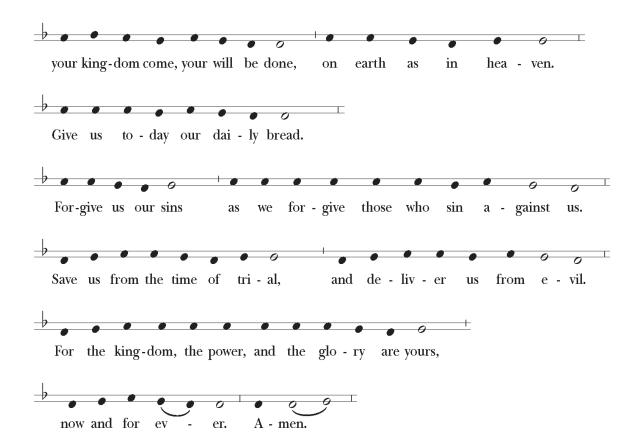
We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **AMEN**.

THE LORD'S PRAYER H82 #s148

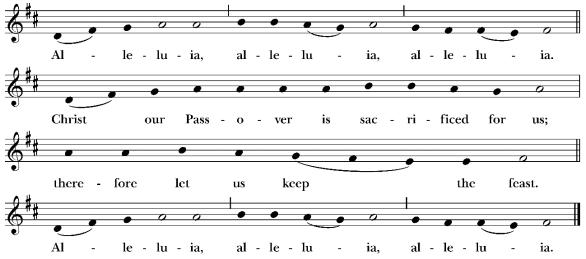




THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

A period of silence is kept.





Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Everyone is welcome to receive Holy Communion at Emmanuel Church.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

People Eternal God, by grace you accept us as living members of your Son Jesus Christ, and

feed us with spiritual food in this sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace to do your work of reconciliation as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To Him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit may all creation sing hymns of

thanks and praise. Amen.

BLESSING

May the God who raises Jesus to new life raise us up to good works and new faith. Amen.

May the God who raises us up send us out to be holy people in the world. Amen.

May the God who sends us out gather us again at a table in that kingdom which is both now and forever.

Amen.

And, may the God of all grace, who creates, redeems and sanctifies all things, bless, preserve and keep you both now and forever. **Amen.**

HYMN We know that Christ is raised and dies no more H82 #296

DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

POSTLUDE

WELCOME TO EMMANUEL CHURCH

We are glad that you joined us today and pray that you will know God's presence through our worship and in this community. Wherever you are in your journey with God or toward God you are welcome here. Indeed, you are invited and welcome here in our pews and in all the things we do together as a community each week. We would also love to be in better touch throughout the year. Please reach out to our Bridge Priest, the Rev. Jonathan Eden at therev.jonteden@gmail.com or 617.798.0700 for more information.

Your support is very important to us. We meet every Sunday at 10:00 a.m. for worship and by scanning the links below, you can donate online and follow us on the web to find out more about who we are and what we are doing:

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PARISH PRAYER LIST

If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please be in touch with The Rev. Jonathan Eden.

PARISH CALENDAR

Candidates for Bishop: The Diocese of Massachusetts will be electing a new Bishop on Saturday, May 18. To learn more about the candidates and the meet and greets (May 7 - 11), scan the QR code or go to diomass.org/bishop-search/meet-greets.



SANCTUARY FLOWERS: The sanctuary is adorned today with flowers given by Edward and Louise Barrett in honor of and with prayers for Barbara Rhodes, a dear friend and devoted children's librarian who is suffering from a serious illness.